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1. PARA 4 OF REF A REQUESTS SOURCE OF INFORMATION REPORTED REF B. INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN INTERNAL JIU MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE DATED 17 MAY 1978 (SHOWN TO MISOFF ON PRIVATE BASIS AND MUST BE PROTECTED). MEMO STATES THAT TWO INSPECTORS (FROM MAJOR DONORS) QUOTE SAW MR. S. HEPPLING, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION, UNDP. OUR CONVERSATION BEGAN ON THE JIU REPORT ON THE ROLE OF EXPERTS. HE SAID THAT UNDP AND THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES HAD REACHED AGREEMENT THAT THEY WOULD SUPPORT MOST OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS, PARTICULARLY THE OVER-ALL ONE ON GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT OF PROJECTS. HE SAID THAT THEY WOULD RECOMMEND TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL THAT A FEW OF THE JIU RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE STUDIED FURTHER. THE GENERAL IMPRESSION GIVEN TO US WAS THAT, ON THE WHOLE, UNDP AS WELL AS THE AGENCIES WOULD SUPPORT THE REPORT BEFORE THE GOVERNING COUNCIL, WITH MINOR EXCEPTIONS.

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WITH REGARD TO THE NOTE ON OVERHEAD COSTS, MR. HEPPLING EXPLAINED THAT UNDP MERELY SERVED AS AN OBSERVER AT THE RECENT GENEVA AGENCY MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT. UNDP FEELS THAT THE FORMULA PRESENTED BY JIU IS A VERY COMPLEX ONE AND MAY MAKE A PROPOSAL BETWEEN THE PRESENT 14 PERCENT AND THE COMPLEX JIU

SUGGESTION. IN PARTICULAR UNDP WOULD MAKE A
DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE CALCULATION MADE FOR EQUIPMENT
BASED PROJECTS AND THOSE PRIMARILY RELATED TO EXPERT
COSTS UNQUOTE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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